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Prior Application:  
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Sir:

This is a

☐ Continued Prosecution Application (CPA) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

☐ Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR §1.114 (prosecution of the application is closed in the sense of 37 CFR §1.114(b));

☒ Divisional Application (parent not abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(b);

☐ Divisional Application (parent being abandoned) under 37 CFR §1.53(d);

of pending prior application Serial No. 09/521,662, filed March 8, 2000

for [Title as filed]: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR ALTERING THE PICTURE UPDATING FREQUENCY OF A COMPRESSED VIDEO DATA STREAM

[Amended Title]: same

by [Inventors]: Takayuki SUGAHARA

1. ☒ A copy of the prior application is attached. This copy comprises a true copy of the prior application as filed (specification, claims, drawings, declaration). No amendments referred to in the declaration (if any) filed to complete the prior application introduced new matter therein.
2. ☐ Abandon said prior application as of the filing date accorded this application.

3. [x] The filing fee is calculated below:

CLAIMS REMAINING IN AN APPLICATION AFTER  
ENTRY OF ANY PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT OR  
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.116 NOTED BELOW

Basic Fee  
\$ 770.00

Total claims	9	- 20 =	0	x \$18.00 (* 9.00) =	
Independent claims	6	- 3 =	3	x \$86.00 (*43.00) =	<u>258.00</u>
Total Filing Fee.....				=	\$1,028.00

4. [x] A check in the amount of \$1,028.00 is enclosed (CK# 17149).  
THE COMMISSIONER IS HEREBY AUTHORIZED TO CHARGE ANY OTHER FEES  
WHICH MAY BE REQUIRED OR CREDIT ANY OVERPAYMENT TO DEPOSIT  
ACCOUNT NO. 160331.

5. [x] Cancel in this application claims 1-8 of the prior application  
before calculating the filing fee. At least one independent  
claim is retained for filing purposes.

6. [x] Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the  
sentence:

--This is a Division of application Serial No. 09/521,662 filed  
March 8, 2000, now allowed.--

7. [ ] Please enter in the present application the Amendment Under 37  
CFR §1.116 with any attachments filed on in this application  
which was not entered therein.

8. [x] Priority of foreign application(s) No. 11-81250, filed March 25,  
1999; in Japan is claimed under 35 U.S.C. §119.

[x] The certified copy was filed in prior application No. 09/521,662  
on March 8, 2000.

[ ] A certified copy of the above corresponding foreign application  
is filed herewith.

9. [x] The prior application is assigned of record to VICTOR COMPANY OF  
JAPAN, LTD. The Assignment was filed on March 8, 2000 in parent  
application Serial No. 09/521,662 and has not yet been recorded  
by the USPTO.

10. [x] The power of attorney in the prior application is to Roger W. Parkhurst, Registration No. 25,177 and Charles A. Wendel, Registration No. 24,453:

[x] a. The power appears in the original papers in the prior application.

[ ] b. Since the power does not appear in the original papers, a copy of the power in the prior application is enclosed.

[x] c. Address all future communications to

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11. [x] An Application Data Sheet is enclosed.

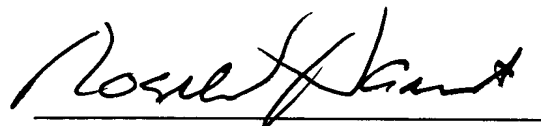
12. [x] A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed herewith.

13. [x] An Information Disclosure Statement is enclosed.

14. [x] This application is not entitled to Small Entity Status.

Respectfully submitted,

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